Linear Regression

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Task at hand

- TASK: Predict Weight = f(height)

Height	Weight
3	29
4	35
5	39
2	20
6	41
7	?
8	?
1	?

The first part of the dataset are the training points. The latter ones are testing points.

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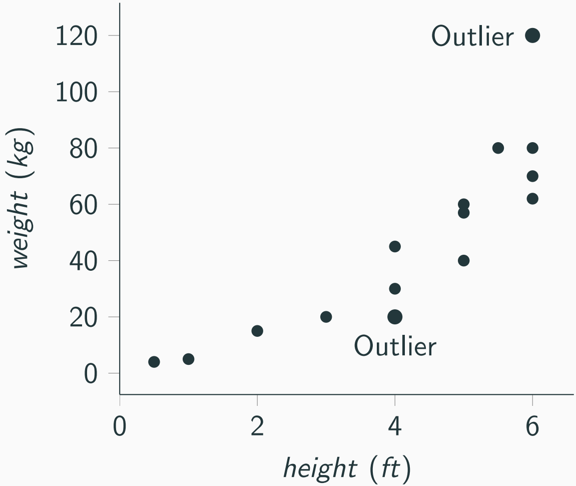

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Demand = Base Demand + K_1 * # occupants + K_2 * Temperature

Intuition

We hope to:

- Learn f: $Demand = f(\#occupants, Temperature)$
- From training dataset
- To predict the condition for the testing set

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- Notice the transpose in the equation! This is because x_i is a column vector

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- Base demand is independent of the temperature and the # occupants, but, likely positive, thus θ_0 is likely positive.

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$$\boxed{\hat{Y} = X\theta}$$

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- There could be different $\theta_0, \theta_1 \dots \theta_M$. Each of them can represents a relationship.
- Given multiples values of $\theta_0, \theta_1 \dots \theta_M$ how to choose which is the best?
- Let us consider an example in 2d

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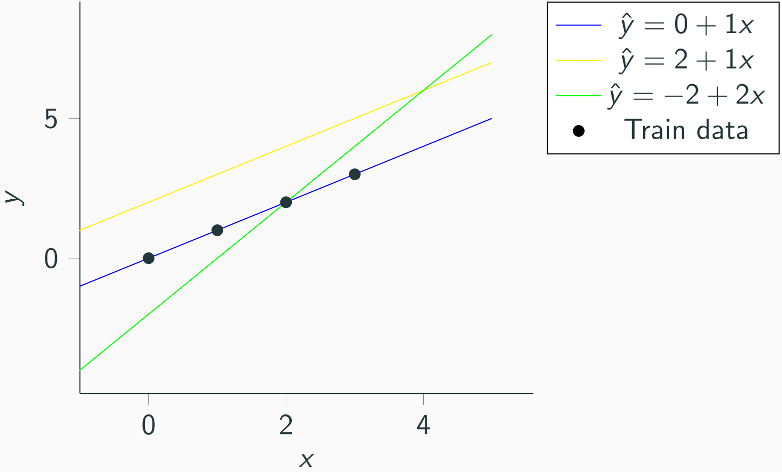
Out of the three fits, which one do we choose?



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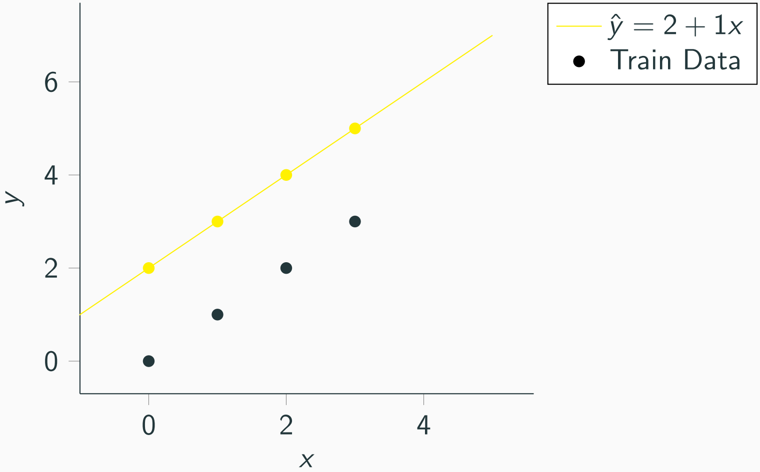

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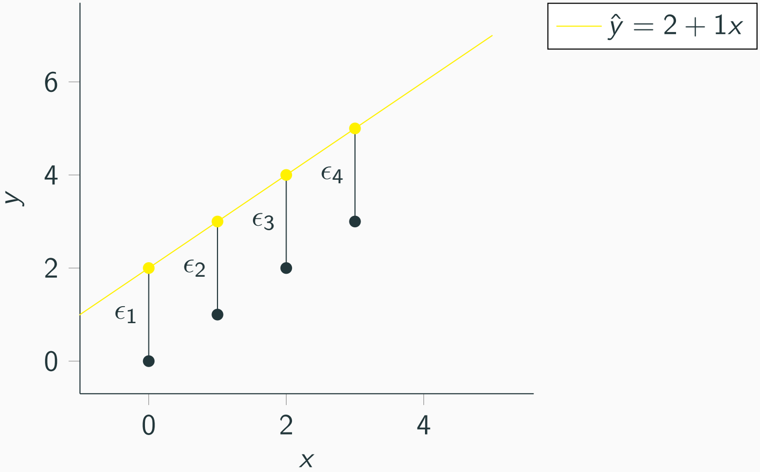

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Derivation of Normal Equation

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\begin{aligned}
\epsilon &= y - X\theta \\
\epsilon^T &= (y - X\theta)^T = y^T - \theta^T X^T \\
\epsilon^T \epsilon &= (y^T - \theta^T X^T)(y - X\theta) \\
&= y^T y - \theta^T X^T y - y^T X\theta + \theta^T X^T X\theta \\
&= y^T y - 2y^T X\theta + \theta^T X^T X\theta
\end{aligned}
$$

This is what we wish to minimize

Minimizing the objective function

$$\frac{\partial \epsilon^T \epsilon}{\partial \theta} = 0 \tag{1}$$

- $\dfrac{\partial}{\partial \theta} y^T y = 0$
- $\dfrac{\partial}{\partial \theta}(-2y^T X\theta) = (-2y^T X)^T = -2X^T y$
- $\dfrac{\partial}{\partial \theta}(\theta^T X^T X\theta) = 2X^T X\theta$

Substitute the values in the top equation

Normal Equation derivation

$$0 = -2X^T y + 2X^T X\theta$$

$$X^T y = X^T X\theta$$

$$\boxed{\hat{\theta}_{OLS} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y}$$

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3	3

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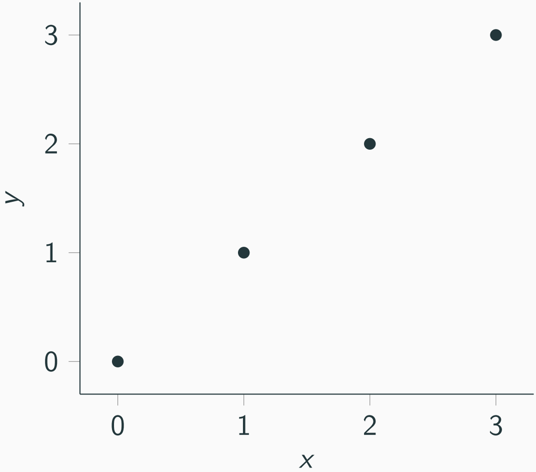

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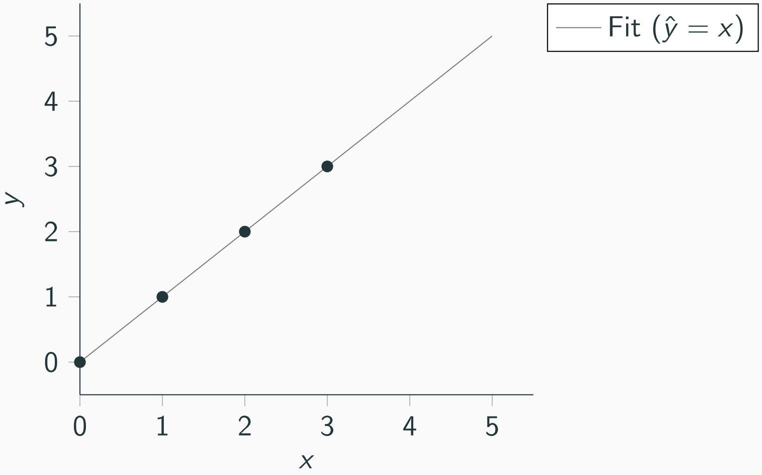

Effect of outlier

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Compute the θ_0 and θ_1.

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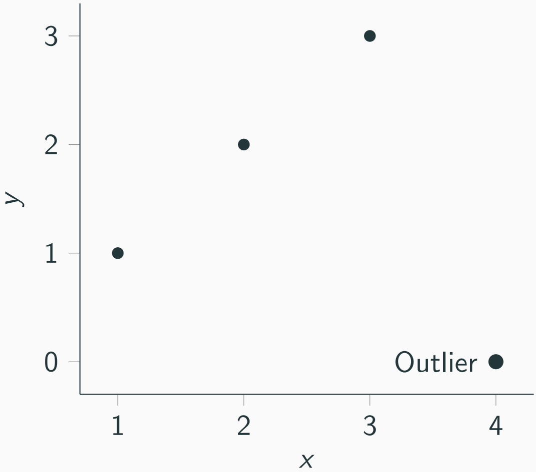

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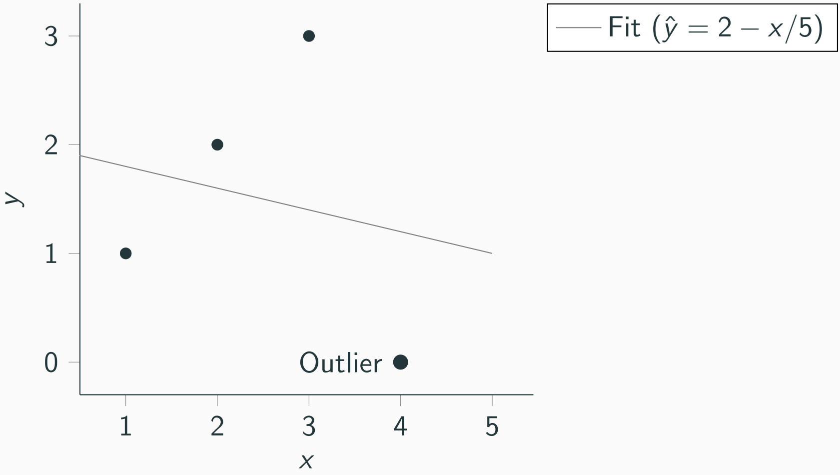

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Basis Functions

- Linear regression only refers to linear in the parameters
- We can perform an arbitrary nonlinear transformation $\phi(x)$ of the inputs x and then linearly combine the components of this transformation.
- $\phi : \mathbb{R}^D \to \mathbb{R}^K$ is called the basis function

Basis Functions

Some examples of basis functions:

- Polynomial basis: $\phi(x) = \{1, x, x^2, x^3, \dots\}$
- Fourier basis: $\phi(x) = \{1, \sin(x), \cos(x), \sin(2x), \cos(2x), \dots\}$
- Gaussian basis: $\phi(x) = \{1, \exp(-\frac{(x-\mu_1)^2}{2\sigma^2}), \exp(-\frac{(x-\mu_2)^2}{2\sigma^2}), \dots\}$
- Sigmoid basis: $\phi(x) = \{1, \sigma(x-\mu_1), \sigma(x-\mu_2), \dots\}$ where $\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}$

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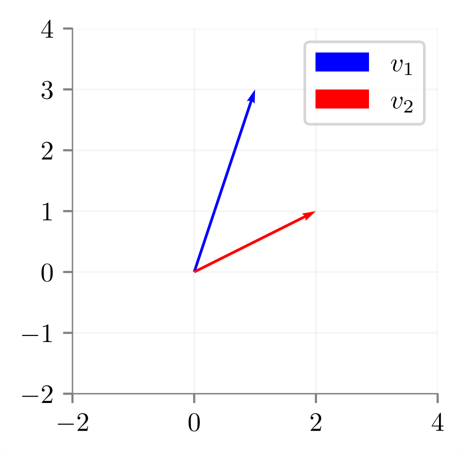

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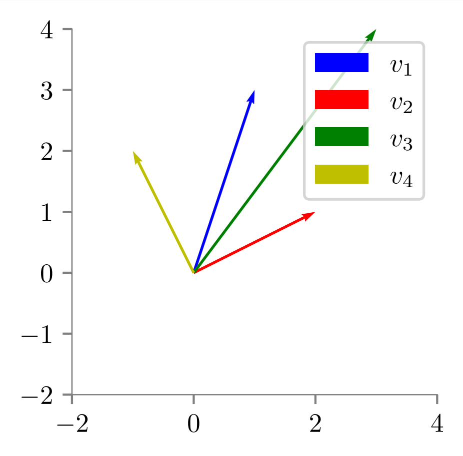

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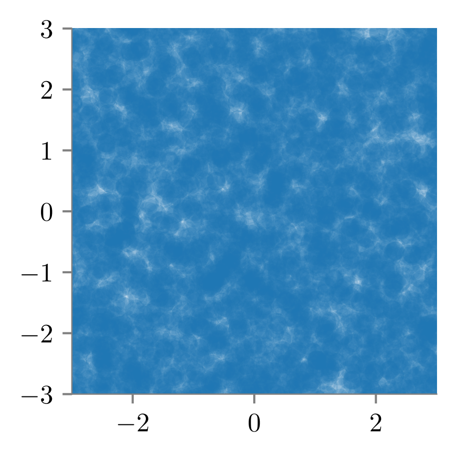

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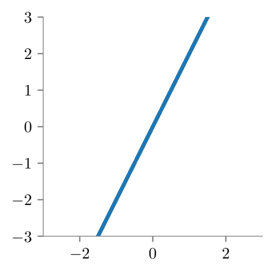

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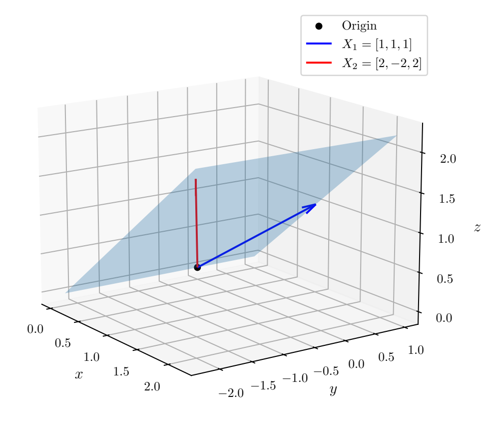

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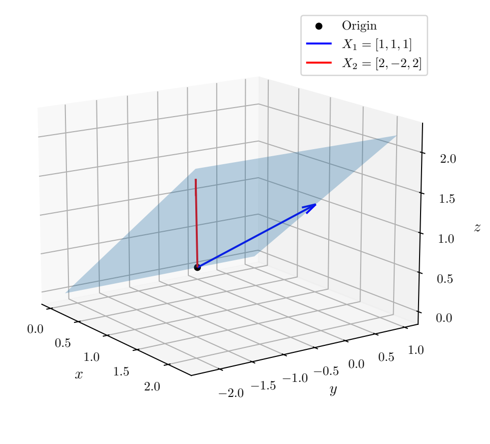

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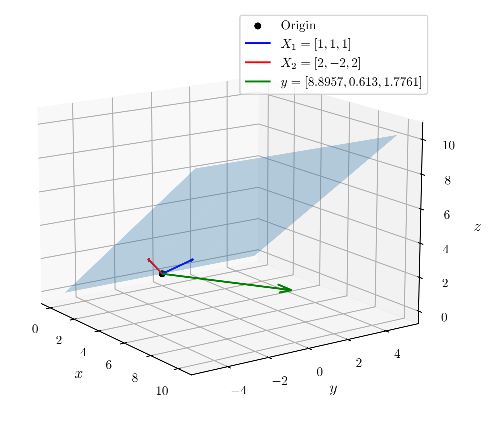

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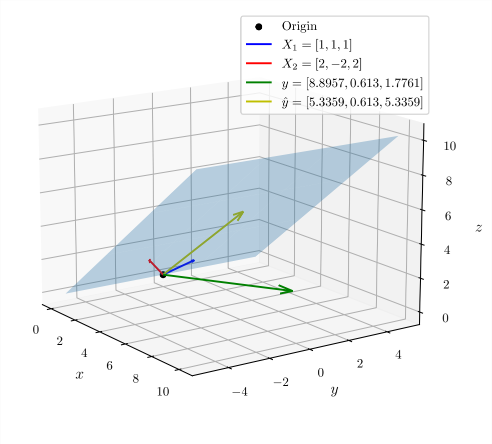

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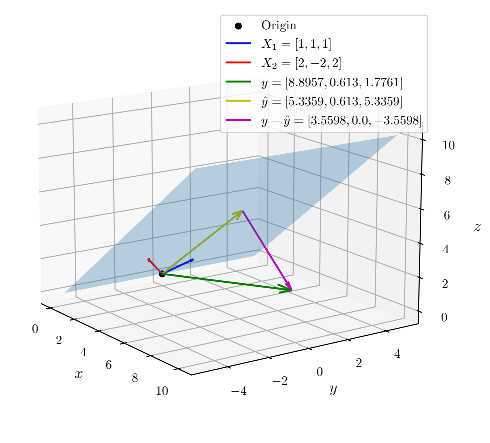

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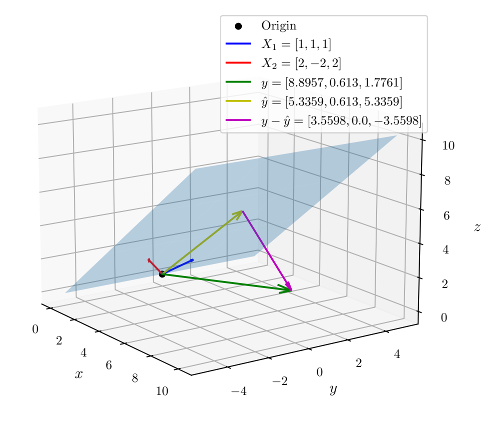

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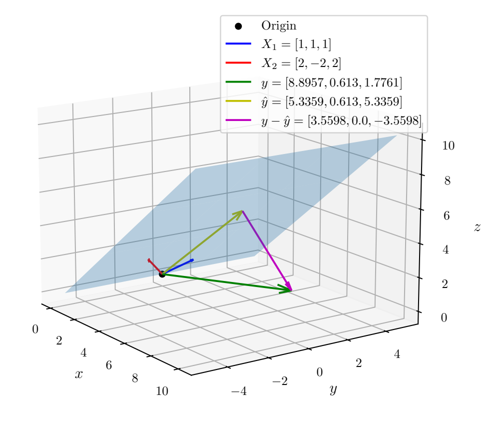

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